This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A method for a web services gateway to enable a web client to access a web service, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving, by a profiler in the web services gateway, a b2b profile from the web service, the b2b profile containing details of how to communicate with the web service and being in a format not recognisable to the web client;

creating, by the profiler in the web services gateway, a WSDL document based on the b2b profile, the WSDL document being in a format recognisable to the web client and containing details of how to communicate with the web service via the gateway; and

providing, to a third party, information relating to the web service and a location from which the WSDL document can be obtained by the web client;

thereby enabling the web client to use the WSDL document to access the web service via the web service gateway; and

wherein the details of how to communicate with the web service via the gateway include a RNIF/HTTP channel address in the gateway for the client to use when requesting to access the web service, the RNIF/HTTP gateway channel address being associated with the b2b profile and the method further comprises the steps of:

receiving a request, at the RNIF/HTTP gateway channel address, from the web client for the web service;

obtaining details from the b2b profile associated with the RNIF/HTTP gateway channel address and using the details to convert the request into a request suitable for sending to the web service; and

sending the converted request to the web service.

2.   (Original) A method according to claim 1 comprising the further steps of:

receiving a request from the web client for the web service, the request including details of the WSDL document;

using the details of the WSDL document to match the request with the b2b profile received from the web service;

using details from the b2b profile to convert the request to a request suitable for sending to the web service; and

sending the converted request to the web service.

3.   (Canceled)

4.   (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 2 comprising the further steps:

waiting for a response to the converted request from the web service; and

using the response to the converted request to trigger a response to the web client request.

5-9.   (Canceled)